

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2421

December 8, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires gun dealers to obtain a thumbprint record for each purchaser and retain the record for one year after sale or firearm transfer. Requires the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation (TBI) to provide thumbprint forms to gun dealers upon application at cost.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - Not Significant
Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Public Chapter 102 of 2009, TBI stopped supplying thumbprint forms to gun dealers. According to TBI's support form on Public Chapter 102, no significant reduction in expenditures would occur from repeal of this requirement. TBI's budget was not reduced as a result of this enactment. Reestablishing the requirement to supply thumbprint forms therefore will not result in a significant increase in expenditures.
- Reinstating the requirement that a gun dealer must obtain the thumbprints of a person buying a firearm will increase the number of forms currently mailed to gun dealers. Since there was no significant decrease in state expenditures from repealing the requirement, the increase in state expenditures from reinstating the requirement is estimated to be not significant.
- There will be no change in the number of guns purchased.
- Current law requires dealers to pay for background checks and this bill does not change that requirement.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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